

Amendment No. 2 to HB2063

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 308*

House Bill No. 2063

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. There is created a special committee to study the creation of a department of aging and adult services. The committee shall be known as the Committee to Study A New Department of Aging and Adult Services; herein referred to as "the committee."

SECTION 2. The study committee shall study issues relating to the creation of a new department of aging and adult services and shall assess the following:

- (1) All programs currently housed within the various agencies and commissions of state government along with staffing patterns and budgetary information;
- (2) The physical location of all such entities controlled by state government that are currently responsible for providing services and programs for the aging population;
- (3) Entities that need to move from an existing department to a newly created department along with what programs and functions need to be transferred;
- (4) Staff responsibilities, budgetary needs, and existing contractual obligations that may be affected;
- (5) The flow of public funding for the aging population;
- (6) Structures that are used by other states in dealing with services and programs for the aging;
- (7) Federal and state laws that have an impact on how the agency is structured;
- (8) Current deficiencies in programs that need to be addressed through the structure of a new department;
- (9) The establishment of better accountability standards so that goals and performance can be accurately measured; and

(10) Best practices in terms of monitoring the department's ability to properly perform its required roles.

SECTION 3. The comptroller and members of the comptroller's staff shall also be included as staff to the committee. Other agencies of state government shall provide assistance to the committee at the request of the chair.

SECTION 4. The committee shall consist of seventeen (17) members, as follows:

- (1) The chair of the Tennessee commission on aging and disability;
- (2) The chair of the advocacy committee of the Tennessee commission on aging and disability;
- (3) The executive director of the Tennessee commission on aging and disability;
- (4) The chair of the house health and human resources committee;
- (5) The chair of the senate general welfare, health and human resources committee;
- (6) One (1) additional member of the senate to be appointed by the speaker of the senate from the membership of the senate general welfare, health and human resources committee;
- (7) One (1) additional member of the house of representatives to be appointed by the speaker of the house from the membership of the house health and human resources committee;
- (8) A representative of the Disability Coalition to be appointed by the Coalition;
- (9) A representative of the Tennessee Development District Association to be appointed by the Association;
- (10) A representative of the Tennessee Human Resources Agency Association to be appointed by the Association;
- (11) A representative of the Tennessee Association of Area Agencies on Aging and Disability to be appointed by the Association;
- (12) A representative of the Tennessee Conference on Social Welfare to be appointed by the Conference;

(13) A representative of the PACE demonstration program in this state to be appointed by the program;

(14) A representative of the AARP to be appointed by AARP;

(15) One (1) director of an area agency on aging and disability to be appointed by the governor;

(16) One (1) consumer of disability services to be appointed by the governor;

(17) One (1) consumer services under programs of the Older Americans Act.

SECTION 5. The committee shall be convened by the legislative member with the most years of continuous service in the general assembly and, at its organizational meeting, shall elect from among its membership, a chair, vice-chair, and such other officers the committee may deem necessary.

SECTION 6. All legislative members of the committee who are duly elected members of the general assembly shall remain members of such committee until the committee reports its findings and recommendations to the general assembly and shall be paid as members of the general assembly are paid for attending legislative meetings as provided in Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-1-106. .

SECTION 7. The study committee shall report to the governor and the two speakers no later than December 15, 2008, concerning its recommendations, at which time the committee shall cease to exist. During its work, the committee shall report every other month to the governor, the two speakers, and the chairs of the senate general welfare, health and human resources committee and the house health and human resources committees, as well as the chairs of the senate and house government operations committees.

SECTION 8. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.